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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 5th, 1911.

The Jubilee anniversary of an important institution like the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce is an event in the annals of the Colony that could not well be allowed to pass without special recognition, and the banquet held on Monday was a celebration worthy of the occasion. It is sometimes said that the public dinner is an essentially British institution, and we have a dim recollection of seeing the statement enshrined somewhere in the pages of a literary humorist that if the City of London were laid in ruins by an earthquake and there were but two survivors their first thoughts on meeting would be to celebrate their salvation by a dinner! We doubt, however, whether it ever was correct to regard the public dinner as "peculiarly British" way of celebrating an event: certainly it is not the case to-day, for it is the accepted means of exchanging congratulations in nearly every country East as well as West, upon both public and private occasions—and a very excellent means it affords. The toast list is the necessary complement of the dinner, and when the anniversaries of public institutions are thus celebrated the opportunity is presented not only of recognizing in the most cordial manner the public services of the institution and the

men who have guided its activities, but of reviewing the achievements of the past, not only for the sense of satisfaction it may give, but also in order to inspire hope and faith in the future. The generous tributes paid by the speakers at the dinner to the valuable work which the Chamber has done for the community during its fifty years' existence have been well earned and will be widely endorsed by all who are personally acquainted with that work, or who have been made familiar with it by perusal of the admirably concise brochure which the Hon. Mr. Hewett has recently published. To carefully peruse and condense, as Mr. Hewett has done, the voluminous records of an active body like the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, covering the whole period of its existence, is a task which few men would care to voluntarily undertake, even though they may have more ample leisure than the manifold private and public activities of the Chairman can possibly provide. Therefore we regard this compilation, which is certainly one of permanent interest and value, as one more striking testimony of his willing service in the public interest, and, incidentally, of his indefatigability and capacity for work. We may rest assured that the work which the members of the Chamber have done in the past is "earnest of that which they shall do" in the future. We are not among those who regard the Colony as having reached the zenith of its prosperity ten years ago, and as now entering upon a state of decline. Times are changing and the conditions of trade are changing with them, but notwithstanding the indisputable fact that there appear at the present time many disquieting signs which countenance the gloomy forebodings of the "sons of Imah" a comprehensive survey of the situation surely does not justify a want of confidence in the continued welfare and prosperity of the Colony. Competition may be keener than it ever was, but while the population continues to grow and the volume of the transactions of the banks exhibit an increasing tendency we refuse to join the ranks of the pessimists. Curiously enough, little was said of the future in the speeches at Monday's banquet, except in the admirable speech delivered by His Excellency THE GOVERNOR who said that, in the spirit of the speeches delivered by the Chairman of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, both this year and last, he prospered in the Colony, and His Excellency indicated that it remained for the Chamber to lead the way in the development of our industries and to find fresh avenues of industrial enterprise to replace those which the changing times may alter or diminish. To this we have only to add that the encouragement of the Government is a factor of primary importance in these developments, and we are confident that it will never be found wanting. There are already on the other side of the harbour many indications of industrial development—on a comparatively small scale, it is true—but they nevertheless give promise that the hopes centred in the New Territory becoming one day a thriving industrial centre are likely in large measure to be fulfilled.

The Sanitary Board visit to the Oriental Brewery takes place to-day.
A schoolboy was yesterday at the Magistracy fined \$25 for being in possession of detonators.
H.S.H. Prince Liechtenstein is the guest of His Excellency the Governor at Government House.
For having in his possession for use a false key the master of a wood shop was at the Magistracy yesterday ordered to pay a fine of \$25.
For cutting and wounding a comrade with an axe at Aphelau a Chinese was yesterday committed to prison for three months' hard labour.
H. E. the Governor will present the King's medal to Chief Detective Inspector Hanson at a parade at the Central Police Station this afternoon.
Rudolf Olsson, who was recently before the Magistracy on a charge of being drunk, was yesterday fined \$2 or seven days for being drunk and disorderly on the Praya East.
The police have been informed by Edgar Shepherd, master mariner, that he lost between the Stag Hotel and the Sailors' Home his pocket-book containing his master's certificate, a pawn ticket for a gold watch, and \$12 in money.
A big blaze was witnessed at Bonham Strand on Monday night when a fire originated in a bamboo shop and destroyed the stock and almost gutted the tenements at 131 and 133 in that thoroughfare. The stock was valued at \$4,000.
At the Magistracy yesterday a coolie employed to deliver newspapers was convicted of stealing a pair of men's brown leather shoes from the house at 3, Observatory Villas, Kowloon. He was sentenced to imprisonment for three weeks and to be exposed in the stocks for four hours.

TELEGRAMS.

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[FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO"]

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN
AFFAIRS.

PEKING, April 4th.

The Board of Foreign Affairs has recommended that Lord Li Ching Fong, late Chinese Minister to London, His Excellency Wu Ting Fang, ex-American Ambassador, and His Excellency Li Chia Kiu, Vice-President of the National Assembly, be appointed advisers to the Board.

A LOAN SECURITY QUESTION.

PEKING, April 4th.

The representatives of the Financial groups interested in the Hankow Szechuen railway loan have represented to the Board of Communications that they deem the present security inadequate, and have asked for it to be supplemented.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS"]ANTI-CHINESE DISTURB-
ANCES AT BIRKENHEAD.

LONDON, April 4th.

Anti-Chinese disturbances have occurred at Birkenhead in consequence of alleged insults by Chinese to white women.

A mob of 3,000 persons on Sunday night smashed the windows of Chinese houses and stoned and assaulted the police, who dispersed them with batons.

ANGLO-AMERICAN ARBITRA-
TION TREATY.

LONDON, April 4th.

A Washington message states that it is understood that the Anglo-American Arbitration Treaty will not provide automatic machinery for arbitration. Each dispute as it arises will be referred to arbitration by special agreement to be negotiated in accordance with the main Treaty, requiring in each case ratification by the Senate as now.

[FROM SOUTHERN NEWSPAPERS]

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

LONDON, March 26th.

The race for the Grand National resulted as follows:

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Twenty-six ran, but only four finished. Caution, when leading the second time round, refused, and brought down Rathnally, but the jockey of the latter remounted and came in second.

[FROM THE "N.C. DAILY NEWS"]

COMPULSORY MILITARY SERVICE.

LONDON, March 30th.

A book by Field Marshal Earl Roberts entitled, "Fallacies and Facts," has been published, in which Lord Roberts controverts the arguments against compulsory service contained in General Sir Ian Hamilton's book and Viscount Halland's introduction to that work.

Lord Roberts insists that a fortnight's training yearly for the Territorials would not give, in fifty years, the stability of discipline required in modern war. The irreducible minimum, he contends, is from four to six months' continuous training as a climax to years of cadet training. "It was because we had no military power with which to follow up Trafalgar that we were burdened with the expenses of ten more years of war," affirms Lord Roberts.

[A review of "Compulsory Service" by the Spectator begins:—"In this book Sir Ian Hamilton, lately Adjutant-General, and Mr. Hamilton state the case against compulsory service." A second edition contained notes furnished to the Secretary of State for War by Admiral Sir Arthur Wilson, First Sea-Lord, which showed that an invasion of England by a force of seventy thousand men was impossible.]

LOCAL SPORT.

INTERPORT POLO.

VICTORY FOR MANILA.

The Manila polo team, which arrived here on Saturday to play the return match with Hongkong, played the first match with the local representatives on the Polo Ground at Causeway Bay last evening, in presence of a large gathering which included H.E. the Governor and Lady Lugard, Prince Liechtenstein, H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops and others. The game ended in a win for the visitors by five goals to three.

The teams were:—
Hongkong—Captain Lambe, [Captain Hughes, Mr. Johnstone and Captain Brierley. Manila—Captain Mitchell, Lieut. Margette, Mr. E. Bowditch, and Mr. P. Macdonell. Captain Egg acted as umpire, Lieut. Sullivan and Bradley as goal judges, and Mr. Aston a timekeeper.

In the first chukka Hongkong opened strongly, and Hughes from a pass from Brierley scored the first goal, which was followed almost immediately afterwards by another through Johnstone. Hongkong, 2; Manila, nil.

The second chukka was more stubbornly contested, and the visitors had possession of the ball most of the time, but they were not allowed to score, though they had two good tries. Lambe had two attempts, but he shot the ball wide, and the ball sounded without any addition having been made to the score. Hongkong, 2; Manila, nil.

The third chukka saw the home team very aggressive, and Lambe lifted the ball almost from midfield to the goal, but it struck the post and was returned before Hongkong could improve on the opportunity. Shortly afterwards the first goal for the visitors was obtained through Bowditch. Hongkong rode hard and a fine run by Johnstone looked like an addition to the score, but he failed. Hongkong, 2; Manila, 1.

The fourth chukka opened with a succession of bad misses on the part of both teams, but Johnstone made a good recovery and driving well sent the ball between the uprights. The Americans renewed the attack and a fine combined run ended in Bowditch sending a long shot into goal, but it struck the post and rolled outside. Hongkong, 3; Manila, 1.

In the fifth chukka it was obvious that the faster riding of the Manila men gave them a decided advantage. Brierley got the ball, but seemed to be unable to do anything with it, and though Johnstone rode well he could not do much against the combination of the visitors who obtained another point. Hongkong, 3; Manila, 2.

The sixth and last chukka saw the Americans players were outwitted, and the visitors scored three goals in quick succession, and the game ended in a win for the visitors, by 5 goals to three.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE
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An extraordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., was held at the office of the Company, Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co., at noon yesterday, when certain resolutions which were previously passed were submitted for confirmation. Hon. Mr. H. Kewick presided, others present being: Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. H. P. White, C. E. Gubbay (directors), L. N. Leese (secretary), A. Denison, J. M. E. Macpherson, Ho Pook, E. C. Emmet, D. J. Donne and C. Pemberton.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen,—This meeting is called for the purpose of confirming resolutions, embodying changes in the Articles of Association of the Company, which were passed at an extraordinary general meeting held on March 10th last. If you have any questions to ask before the resolutions are put I shall be glad to answer them.

No questions were asked.

Mr. WHITE moved that the resolutions passed by an extraordinary meeting held on March 10th be hereby confirmed. The resolutions dealt with the commission to be paid to the General Managers, and entitled and confirmed all payments heretofore made by the Company to the branch offices of the General Managers elsewhere than at Hongkong.

Mr. DENISON seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance.

Three of the four defendants charged with the theft of sandalwood belonging to Mr. H. A. Siebs were convicted at the Magistracy and one discharged. The defendants, who are boat people, were sentenced to three months' hard labour each and to be exposed in the stocks for four hours, the female defendant being exempted from this exposure.

The St. George's Society of Shanghai contemplates celebrating St. George's Day by a dinner on Sunday, April 23rd. This is the first dinner of the society and the invitations are to be limited to British subjects. The office-bearers elected for this year are:—President, Sir Haywood de Saumarez; Vice-President, Mr. G. Wingrove; committee, Messrs. H. Brown, A. P. Wood, E. B. Brighton, F. W. White, E. I. Marsh, E. F. Bateman, T. H. W. Aldridge, H. E. R. Hunter, E. N. Trueman and J. E. Denison, with the two office-bearers already named.

SUPREME COURT.

Tuesday, April 4th.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

LEAVE TO APPEAL GRANTED.

Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., moved for leave to appeal against the decision of Mr. Justice Hazeland in the Summary Jurisdiction action between W. G. Humphreys & Co. plaintiffs (respondents), and P. Soffetti & Co. defendants (appellants). In the Summary action it was adjudged that judgment be given for respondents and costs on the following grounds amongst others, namely, that by the said judgment it was erroneously found that the appellants by their letter of 12th July, 1910, contracted as principals, and also that the said judgment failed to find—(1), That the respondents' house in London dealt with Messrs. E. T. Burillon and La. Schrauwen of Brussels, as principals under the said contract; (2), That the damages claimed by the respondents were owing to the cancellation of the contract; (3), That such cancellation was not the act of the defendants; (4), That neither the respondents nor the appellants were consulted prior to such cancellation; (5), That if the respondents and appellants had been so consulted such cancellation would not have taken place; (6), That pass equal to sample, whether of the 1910 crop or not, would have been accepted by the native customers of the respondents to whom they resold the same as being a sufficient compliance with the respondents' contracts with them; (7), That the respondents did not refuse to deliver the peas in question.

Mr. Pollock stated that this was an application made *ex parte* for leave to appeal from the judgment of Mr. Justice Hazeland delivered on March 29th. The appellants had filed notice of motion, and in it they had set out certain grounds, and asked the direction of the Court upon a point of practice as to whether it was necessary, in simply filing a motion for leave to appeal *ex parte*, to set out those grounds. Their Lordships had the matter before them in the Lai Chi Chia case, and in that case it was said that leave to appeal must be obtained on an *ex parte* application, when the facts and reasons for the appeal will be set out. If leave was granted notice of motion must then be served on the opposite party setting out briefly the grounds of the motion. There was a little ambiguity there as to what was meant by the facts and reasons being set out in the original motion.

The Chief Justice—We meant that definite grounds should be set out, so that we could see that they were sufficient.

Mr. Pollock—It is a little inconvenient when you have to apply to the Court within a week.

The Chief Justice—You are not limited to what you set out in your motion, but you want to be satisfied that there are sufficient grounds.

Mr. Pollock—This application is founded, first of all, upon the contention made by the appellants that his Lordship the Paines Judge erroneously found that appellants by their letter of July, 1910, contracted as principals.

The Chief Justice—I don't know what the case is about.

Mr. Pollock said the notice of motion stated as a ground for appeal that the Paines Judge failed to find certain facts which from the appellants' point of view it seemed desirable that he should have found. Certain questions were submitted by the solicitor for the appellants in the Court below to his Lordship, but some of the present questions were not included in those questions.

His Lordship—What is the case about?

Mr. Pollock referred the Court to a letter written by Messrs. Soffetti & Co. to Messrs. W. G. Humphreys & Co. on July 12th, 1910, and submitted that it was quite clear on the face of that letter that not only was the fact disclosed that there was a principal, but the names of the principals were given, and their place of residence. It clearly appeared that the people who were going to supply the peas were Messrs. Burillon and Schrauwen of Brussels. That was clearly disclosed on the face of the letter of July 12th, from Soffetti & Co. to Humphreys & Co. This was not like various cases referred to in which the foreign principal was not disclosed or not named. In this case the foreign principal was actually named by the document, which was the document relied upon as binding Soffetti & Co.

The Chief Justice—What did the learned Paines Judge hold?

Mr. Pollock said the learned judge held that the words in the letter from Burillon and Schrauwen of Brussels were merely descriptive of the place from which the peas were to come.

The Chief Justice—And he gave judgment for the plaintiffs?

Mr. Pollock—Yes, but we would venture to submit with all deference to the learned judge that the words go very much further than that. The Chief Justice—There is enough on that alone to grant an appeal.

The Paines Judge—I think leave to appeal ought to be granted.

The Court granted leave to appeal in the ordinary way.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR FRANCIS
FAGGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

TATEM v. HOWELL.

The action was continued in which John Tatem sued Frederick Howell, chief bailiff of the Supreme Court, for an account since 24th September, 1905, of the receipts and disbursements of the defendant in respect of the plaintiff's business of a butcher and com-prador carried on under the style of the Hongkong Butchery, and for a receiver.

Mr. M. W. Slade, K.C., instructed by Mr. J. H. Gardiner, appeared for the plaintiff, and defendant was represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, who was instructed by Mr. C. E. H. Benvis (of Messrs. Wilkinson & Grist).

His Lordship said it seemed to him that this case resolved itself into one point of great importance, and that cross-examination such as Mr. Potter started yesterday, and would probably continue, would not influence the Court very much in coming to a decision on that point. It was quite clear what the plaintiff's case was, but the point which it seemed to his Lordship had to be decided was whether Howell was connected with the Butchery Co. That decided, he thought the case could be settled in a couple of hours.

Mr. Slade—There are two points really.

His Lordship—That is the important point. Mr. Slade said he had evidence to put forward to show that Howell was connected with it. Then there was the other point, which was that the account which was given in 1899 and 1904 did not disclose the true facts with regard to the original Butchery.

His Lordship—Supposing Mr. Howell were to prove satisfactorily that he was not connected in any way with the Butchery Co.? Then there is not very much of the case left.

Mr. Slade—There is not so very much, but still there is a substantial point on the previous accounts.

His Lordship—I am not quite clear what that point is.

Mr. Slade—The point is that the account delivered, which is the only account that the plaintiff ever got from the defendant, does not cover—

His Lordship—Of course there is that point.

Mr. Potter said it seemed to him that whether Mr. Howell was connected or not connected with the present Hongkong Butchery was immaterial unless the plaintiff could prove that the business of the Hongkong Butchery was not closed in January, 1907, and unless the plaintiff could prove that some of his money or property was carried on into the second butchery, and was still there. His Lordship would see the foundation of the whole case. First of all, the plaintiff started off by saying that the defendant falsely and fraudulently represented to him that the business was in a bad way.

His Lordship—When I say the Butchery Co., I mean the Company which started immediately after the finish of the Butchery.

Mr. Potter—Our position is that we have nothing to do with it, but assuming for the sake of argument that Mr. Howell owns the present Butchery Co., that does not give the plaintiff any right against him if it is clear that the business was wound up in January 1907.

His Lordship—Supposing it is established that Mr. Howell was connected with the Butchery Co. at that time, then this case assumes very different features.

Mr. Potter—I do not see how it can assume different features unless the plaintiff can satisfy your Lordship that false accounts were delivered, and that the business was not wound up in January, 1907.

His Lordship—I don't want you to argue now. Mr. Potter—Your Lordship will remember that I have been half an hour cross-examining, while it took two and a half hours to get through the evidence in chief.

His Lordship—It seems to me you are going to have rather an extensive cross-examination.

Mr. Potter—There has been no withdrawal of the statement regarding false accounts and that we swindled the man out of money. I shall be only too willing to cut the case short in any shape or form your Lordship can suggest.

His Lordship—Direct yourself to the main point.

Mr. Potter—That Mr. Howell had no connection with the subsequent business?

His Lordship—With the Butchery Co.

Mr. Potter—On that point there was no cross-examination of the plaintiff at all.

His Lordship—You now grasp the point?

Mr. Potter—I have grasped the point all along, but there is still a further point; assuming Mr. Howell was the owner of the business from January 15th, 1907, up to the present day, how does that give the plaintiff any right against him?

His Lordship—You can argue that afterwards.

Mr. Potter—As long as fraud is before the Court, I must put some questions to the plaintiff on it. I regret it, but my friend has chosen not to withdraw.

Mr. Slade—No, I certainly do not. The evidence up to date seems to support it.

Mr. Potter—I regret it, but I cannot ignore the allegations of fraud.

Evidence was resumed, and had not concluded when the Court rose.

CORONATION CELEBRATION AT
FOOCHOW.

At the invitation of H. B. M.'s Consul, Mr. Werner, the community assembled at the Club recently to discuss plans for a suitable celebration of the Coronation in June. Various Committees were appointed for the carrying out of a full programme, comprising a Religious Service, Gymkhanas, Musical Conversations and fireworks display, in addition to those there will be a reception by the Consul. It is to be hoped, says the Echo, that the Navy will be represented in the festivities, as should this be the case, the pleasure in numbers would make for greater community may be well assured that the British Consul can be confidently relied upon to make the occasion such as will live in the memories of those participating. But, as Coronation Days are not of common occurrence, perhaps the men will drop their teas and the ladies be willing to face the heat for one day at least, and make the celebration one worthy of the annals of the port.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CORONATION MEMORIAL SUGGESTIONS.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

DEAR SIR,—The Committee having invited the community through the Press to offer suggestions for their guidance as to the form of the Permanent Memorial to be adopted, I venture, as an old resident, to bring to their notice what has happened to a public memorial which was the gift of an old Parsee resident (since deceased) to commemorate the Jubilee of Queen Victoria in 1887.

The Chinese population was then large, though not so large as it is to-day, the Praya Reclamation from the Cricket Ground to Kennedy Town being then unthought of. This public-spirited citizen, having a care for the lower Chinese classes in particular, and also the animals, offered to present to the Government in trust for the public five or six Drinking Fountains. The following is brief account contained in your weekly issue of 8th November, 1887:—

A number of drinking fountains are at present being put up in different parts of the town. On making inquiries as to the circumstances of their erection we learnt that they are a present from a Parsee gentleman in commemoration of the Jubilee of Her Majesty the Queen. The donor wishes, we understand, to remain anonymous, for the present at all events. In all there are to be six fountains, and their positions are as follows:—Sham Shui Home, Chinese Recreation Ground, Harbour Master's Office, near the Canton Steamer Wharf, No. 2 Police Station, and Wanchai Market. Those at the Harbour Master's Office, near the Canton Steamer wharf, and Wanchai Market are now ready. They are of iron and have been manufactured by a Glasgow firm, Messrs. Wm. Macfarlane & Co., the total cost, we hear, being about \$5,000. They are all fitted with a drinking trough for animals. On each fountain is inscribed "Victoria Jubilee Fountain, 1887." The magnificent present will be received as a grateful boon by the Colony, for drinking fountains have long been recognised as a public necessity, and their erection was one of the forms proposed for the public memorial of the Jubilee.

You will notice that in the concluding paragraph it states—"Drinking Fountains have long been recognised as a public necessity." I would invite the Committee of the present Coronation Festivities, etc., to make an inspection in order to see how the Government of this Colony have carried out the trust reposed in them to preserve these Fountains.

The one in the temporal of the Seamen's Home is erected on a pedestal of four or five steps, which are covered with flower pots—thereby preventing any one reaching the fountain, and if they did there is no water therein to enable them to drink.

The second is on the Chinese recreation ground (Possession Point), on the spot where the British flag was planted on the taking of the Colony by Captain Elliot in 1841. There is no water supplied to it, and it is fast getting eaten away with rust.

The third is in Des Vaux Road and is minus drinking cups. No water is supplied to it; the lamp on the top is covered with filth and the glass is broken. The fourth, at No. 2 Police Station, has had a trough removed, and is utilised as a lamp post; it looks quite respectable, having recently had a coat of paint.

The fifth is in Queen's Road East, outside the Wanchai Market, and is a disgrace to any respectable community.

The beautiful cast-iron column rising from the basin of the trough is broken off and lying in the gutter. Needless to say, there is no water supplied.

Each of these fountains bears a brass shield with the words "Jubilee Memorial, 1887."

I have written the above account of their present state in the hope that, if it is in the province of the present Committee to apply a portion of the funds in repairing and keeping up one of the memorials erected to commemorate the Jubilee of our late beloved Queen Victoria, they may see their way to do this gracious act, which would, I am sure, be pleasing to the son of the donor of this memorial, and one I feel convinced that His Majesty our King would like to see done in memory of his revered grandmother, Queen Victoria.—Yours truly,

A. SHELTON HOOPER.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

April 1st.

FINANCIAL TROUBLES.

The failure of the "Ye Sin Yuen" Bank has caused a great deal of consternation in financial circles here. A rumour has been going the rounds to the effect that by the failure of this bank the Commercial Bank has become seriously involved, and that the Bank of Communications, which had guaranteed this bank, stands to lose more than two million dollars. Luckily the rumour is without foundation, and the Bank of Communications is doing business as usual. However, there is a great deal of uneasiness among merchants, and they have interviewed the Tada of Industries relative to the position. The Tada telegraphed to the Minister of Finance for advice, and the Minister has ordered the Provincial Treasurer to advance the "Ye Sin Yuen" Bank a sum of money sufficient to tide over the difficulty.

FEMALE EDUCATION.

It is a great sign of progress that the more enlightened men are beginning to give serious attention to the education of females. They are waking up to the fact that the influence of an ignorant and superstitious mother is not a good one. In the Hong Shan District the Government is about to erect a school for the

instruction of girls, and a suitable site has already been obtained. The school is to be called the "Government Female School." An examination for intending candidates for entrance is soon to be held.

OPIUM-SMOKING OFFICIALS.

The Viceroy has received a despatch from the Capital to the effect that several officials are still secret opium smokers. H. E. is advised to do his utmost to root out these unworthy men and appoint other men in their places. In future, according to instructions from Peking, when a man is appointed to an official post he has to find three men of repute who will guarantee that the newly-appointed officer is not addicted to the use of opium.

AVIATION IN CANTON.

Yesterday four Chinese requested an interview with the Viceroy, which he was kind enough to grant. The spokesman of the party said he was an engineer and he had been instructed in his calling in America, in which country he had resided since he was nine years of age. He told the Viceroy that he had invented an airship which was capable of rising to a height of 900 English feet and which could support a weight of 400 tons. He desired to bring the machine from Hongkong, where it is at present stored, and give exhibitions with it here. He also volunteered with his three friends to instruct the cadets of the Military College in the science of aviation. His Excellency warmly praised the man and promised to send a gunboat to Hongkong to convey the airship to this city. Meanwhile these aviators are being entertained at the Military Bureau. Notices are also placed in the streets to the effect that an ascent by an aeroplane will be made from the Eastern Parade ground on April 6th. It is said that the aviator is the same gentleman who has been giving exhibitions at Shatin.

SHIPPING NOTES.

A London paper states that the contracts for the new Canadian Pacific boats to be given out shortly will be for vessels 675ft. long and 80ft. beam, with turbines giving a speed of 23 knots.

The Toyo Kisen Kaisha is starting a service to the Black Sea ports. The Japanese Department of Communications has granted a navigation-encouragement certificate to the T.K.K. steamer *Sagami-daru*, effective from the 13th April to March 5th, 1912. The *Sagami-daru* will run between Yokohama and Novo Rossisk, in the Black Sea.

According to a Tokyo news agency, the Osaka Shosen Kaisha—being helped by the Government—has decided to open a new navigation service to Shanghai, and the Bank of Formosa has made plans to establish a branch in Shanghai. This new development is in connection with the export of Formosan sugar to Shanghai. The dealers in Formosan sugar have already started their associated sales market in Shanghai, Shanghai, it is explained, is one of the big sugar markets of the world, and imports sugar from Java, Canton, etc. It is by no means an easy thing to establish a market there for Formosan sugar against those other sugars sold at a very low price.

The largest vessel ever constructed on the stocks of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes was to be launched at La Ciotat on February 19, and will be named *Paul Lecoq*. She is destined for the line to China and Japan. The dimensions of the new mail boat are:—Length between perpendiculars, 165 metres; length over all, 161 metres; width, 18m.27; and depth 13m.65. She has a displacement of 14,500 tons, her engines will have a 11,000 h.p., and there will be accommodation for 500 passengers of all classes. Every modern improvement has been incorporated in the *Paul Lecoq*, and everything possible done for the comfort of travellers. For instance, all the first and second-class cabins will possess hot and cold water installations, whilst special apparatus will assure an average temperature in the various compartments of the vessel whatever the seas in which she happens to be. Further, an electric lift will connect the different bridges. The ship will take 3,900 tons of cargo, and will contain a hold specially arranged for the transport of refrigerated products.

Lord Mackeray, speaking at the annual meeting of the Imperial Merchant Service Guild at its headquarters in Liverpool last month, and referring to the new and stricter eight tests projected by the Board of Trade, characterised the Departmental Committee appointed as being a "period farce, and from its composition a body whose report would never commend the confidence of the seafaring profession. He commended the Guild for declining to attend and give evidence before that Committee, and asserted that the only satisfactory solution of the problem was to have the eight tests carried out by the Board of Trade examiners in a practical manner at night and at sea, or on a river. The Declaration of London was a most serious matter both from the professional and the national point of view, and he could not understand how any man who had the slightest patriotic feeling could have consented to such a declaration. The Government gave the least possible assistance to shipping, and by assenting to the Declaration of London were actively aiding the foreigner by dealing one of the severest blows which one could possibly imagine against the interests of this country, of shipowners, and the men of the merchant service in general. Shipowners as a body seemed to be very disinclined and were content to adopt a passive attitude instead of actively demanding practical support from the Government in repelling the advances of foreign competition, and in extending better treatment to those who controlled their business interests abroad. He commended the activity of the Guild in opposing the employment of alien captains and officers on British ships, and also its pressing for the abolition or modification of Sunday labour on board ship when in port. There were certain improvements in the material welfare of the captains and officers of the mercantile marine for which the Guild was to be thanked, and he emphasised the necessity of captains and officers joining hands in their common cause to promote the welfare not only of themselves but of the shipping industry of the country at large.

HOME AND CHINA AFFAIRS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, March 8th.

ELECTION SKIRMISHING.

We are on the eve of a sort of offshoot of election skirmishing—a campaign up and down the country, for and against Home Rule. Ulstermen are taking the platform in England to preach unionism, while members of the Nationalist party are hard at it alongside the Liberals, telling the electors that Ireland under Home Rule will be a paradise of loyalty and toleration. It is a very pretty sample of the whirligig of politics, and doubtless the electors are more amused than instructed by the shindy. It is proposed to revive the Home Rule Union that did similar service in the way of arranging joint Irish-Liberal meetings to support Mr. Gladstone's first Home Rule Bill, and Mr. Winston Churchill will be the president. As a proof of the fact that Ireland is indeed the Isle of unrest, I hear that many friends and neighbours and even households are being strained by the bitterness engendered by this Home Rule struggle. If rumour be not a lying jade the most notable instance of this is to be found in the Donaghmore domestic circle. Lady Donaghmore is the daughter of Mr. Michael Grace, the well-known American merchant and contractor, whose millions were made in Central and South America. She is a very broad-minded woman and has become beloved by the Catholic neighbours round her home at Knock Lofty, Tipperary. But Lord Donaghmore is one of the hardest hitters in the Orange party and lately has been very outspoken in the House of Lords and on the public platform against both Home Rule and Catholic domination in Ireland. This is understood to have jarred upon his wife's ideas of fairness and she entered a protest on the ground that such strife was prejudicial to the work of many good causes in Ireland in which she takes the keenest interest. But of course it does not follow that the difference of opinion will prove serious. Many of our aristocratic families have varying members who "agree to differ." For instance, there is the Earl of Carlisle, a staunch Conservative, with his eldest son, Lord Vorpeth, a Conservative M.P., but Lady Carlisle, her two daughters and her second son are all valiant on the other side in every election.

THE LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.

Our London County Council is immense. It celebrated a recent session by removing from the school libraries such books as the lives of Abraham Lincoln, Benjamin Franklin, George Washington and Lord Clive, and Ruskin's "Unto this last," together with nine other similar well-known books, the lives because they were too vulgar for the Cockney youngsters to read and the Ruskin volume because they thought the scholars would find therein too much advanced thought. Two continents have ever since been examining the personnel of the Council to find the source of so sensitive a refinement. Then it was proposed to go in for an elaborate coat of arms till the wage pocketed such fun at the idea that it was given up. And now a Progressive member takes up the rôle of unconscious comedian and wanders to a tramway along Birdseye Walk in St. James Park, right up to Buckingham Palace. Why go to the theatre when the L.C.C. is there to make you laugh?

THE CORONATION FESTIVITIES.

It was surely a happy thought for the King and Queen to arrange for a great treat for 100,000 children at the Crystal Palace at Coronation time. Of course there are more children than that who will aim to be of the number—hence the planning of committees as to the lines on which the selection will be made. It will be a great day. Practically all the trains touching at Sydenham that day will be children's trains, and youth will rule all else out of the way for that time. It is likely that there will be a great deal of entertaining of old folks as well, for that was a favourite method of celebration at the time of the late Queen's diamond jubilee. A grant of £185,000 has been made to the Government already in aid of the Coronation expenses, to say nothing of the costs that will be allotted to the various departments for their share of the ceremonies. All the palace accommodation in London has now been arranged out for the principal royal guests, and so the larger hotels have been called upon to reserve their most splendid suites for other official visitors. A wonderful banquet is to be supplied by the Gaiety Company to the Queen on Coronation Day, and the present from the Marquis of the Empire to Queen Mary will also be a notable affair. At a hall-room at Brompton in Essex as I write the cloth of gold is being woven for the king's pallium. The surface will be plain gold: the ladies of the Royal School of Art Needlework will later on embroider floral and heraldic designs with threads of gold and silver. The gold web used in this cloth is of the purest metal possible for such service and is really purer than the gold used in coin of the realm.

Last Wednesday the Abbey at Westminster was closed for the coronation preparations, and their Majesties have already been to the historic edifice to see for themselves what will be necessary to have done. This time the arrangements are far more simple than before, because there are the plans and precedents all laid down in 1902. At that time, however, it was a serious undertaking, as it was then as long since a coronation had taken place in the British Empire. A new central driveway is to be made from Buckingham Palace, allowing for a straight entrance into the Mall. It is a much needed improvement, and I understand it is to be rushed through so as to enable the King and the Kaiser to pass through that way when they unveil the Victoria Memorial on May 23. On one point there is considerable heart-burning. Will motor cars be allowed in the neighbour-

hood of the Abbey on the great day of the Coronation? Last time they were not allowed, but since then the development of the motor has made such strides that the circumstances are by no means on a level. If the precedent is held to, however, there will be a rich harvest for the livery stables and job masters, for many great houses keep but a short supply of horses nowadays, relying almost entirely on motor cars. There is indignation among the makers and vendors of street ornaments that the German houses should have got on the market first with white metal coronation medals. They show very doubtful portraits of the rulers and the words "Our beloved king and queen," but no sign to indicate the place of manufacture. It may be that the regulations of the Merchandise Marks Act may be made to apply to these medals even now, for there is to be Parliamentary pressure to enforce the stamping of such goods with the line "Made in Germany."

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN AGREEMENT.

There is, I hear, considerable exchange of notes just now between St. Petersburg and London as to an Anglo-Russian agreement for the development of a comprehensive system of Persian railways. Russia considers these railways to be of the utmost importance, and there are certain British financial houses ready to put up the money required. The Russian Foreign Minister, M. Sazonoff, is so keen on the proposal that he is ready to come to London about the end of March and discuss with Sir Edward Grey all the considerations involved. There is hope that this matter may be settled with more despatch than the Baghdad railway matter, which still hangs fire, overlaid by the international bazaar of jealousy and suspicion.

THE RUSSO-CHINA DISPUTE.

There are some well-informed observers who think that Russia rested content with making little in her dispute with China. One writer puts it like this. He says Russia's "friendly ultimatum" on the III question was "a sheep in the skin of a great ravenous wolf." "The tone of the Russian summons was nervously imperious—that of China's answer was provokingly philosophic. 'You have given us news in lieu of our treaty rights, and now we mean to have deeds, unmistakable deeds, and not once or else.'" That was the gist of the Russian message. The bland Chinaman retorted sweetly:—"We have always acknowledged unreservedly your rightful claims, and we hereby acknowledge them anew." And, oddly enough, Russia, professing her faith in China's good dispositions, declared herself satisfied. It was a case of faith without good works." The writer continues:—"Why is the Czar's government contented with so little? Is it because France meanwhile discreetly intervened and protested against a policy which was drawing Cardon ever further away from Europe into the bogs of Asia? Perhaps. Undoubtedly that was one of the causes of the softening of Russia's wrath. There were also several others. Europe is no longer uninterested in China's destinies as it was twenty years ago. To-day every one of the Great Powers wants to have a finger in the pie, while Japan and America are even still more eager. But none of them wishes to pull down the first stone of the Chinese facade. If Russia likes to do it, well and good. Her failure would be their opportunity to carry favour with the powers of Peking, while her reward, if she succeeded, would be whittled down by the interested States, which would dilute the terms of peace that suited them. For intermeddling of that kind there is a precedent created by Russia herself. When Japan and China concluded the Shimoda-Treaty, three European States stepped in, cried halt, and upset all the arrangements made by the two Powers. Another precedent was that of San Stefano. An unpleasant surprise of the same kind would be in store for the Cardon to-day as soon as its foot was well down on China's neck. Why, then, pull the chestnuts out of the fire for rivals? So Russia doffed the wolf's skin and took to bleating like a sheep, to the delight of the French and the disgust of the Berlin politicians who had gone to the extent of drafting a plan of campaign for the Czar's troops. Russia's next move—unless she changes her tactics and induces Great Britain to take the rôle will be in Turkey. Of that no one who attentively follows the game of international politics has any serious doubts. The clash is not far off." From this the writer argues that in Bulgarian questions the Russian sees his chance to make trouble. "So long as Macedonia continues to be misruled, Russia will continue to be dissatisfied, and Bulgaria to be incensed to the point of making reprisals. And, according to impartial advisers, the Christians of Macedonia are being subjected to worse treatment than was meted out to them under the Hamidian régime."

OUTRAGES IN INDIA.

That two political outrages should have happened in India within a week of The Hague Tribunal's decision in the Sarvarkar case, is taken as a very serious sign by the Anglo-Indian officials familiar with the Oriental trend of thought. For six months there has been a quiet period, but it is feared that these two late crimes indicate a recrudescence of violent methods. It seems that there is hope among some friends of India that the great Durrat at Delhi and the presence of such acts of recognition to native rulers and clemency to native offenders that the heart of the Indian masses will be touched. But there are, of course, opponents of that course being taken, and it remains to be seen which side will win.

THE ILLNESS OF LORD CREWE.

The strain of our public life is seen in the sudden breakdown of the Earl of Crewe that led to his falling at public banquet and suffering from concussion of the brain. To look at Lord Crewe is a very well preserved and

calm official, but he has borne an enormous pressure of work, first as Colonial Secretary and then as Indian Secretary, to say nothing of the burdensome position of leader for the Government in the House of Lords. All parties and their journals unite in praising the zeal with which our public men in office, of whatever party they belong to, apply themselves to their responsible duties. It was only the other day that an heir was born to Lord Crewe and a little later a fire did great damage to his town residence. Surely life is not a dull affair for the Earl of Crewe.

It happens that both sides of the House of Lords are without leaders—for Lord Lansdowne is still getting over a bad attack of bronchitis. In fact the members of the recent conference on Lords and Commons seem to have been badly in the way since the meetings of that assembly were laid upon an additional burden upon them. Mr. Balfour, Mr. Lloyd George, and Lord Morley have all been ill, in addition to the two invalids just mentioned, while Lord Curzon has died since the Conference rose from its abortive sessions.

INFLUENZA AMONG CATS.

While the universally detested rat is being hunted from Hongkong as much as possible as the most dangerous medium for the transmission of plague, who would have thought that the domestic cat, beloved of our old maid, would be accused by cruel man of similar offences. But the veterinarians seem to have facts behind their allegations against the reputations of our pussies. The first case to be reported was one of feline influenza in Devonshire. Since that the disease has spread all over the south and has even penetrated to the hard north. So they have the solace of many a dreary hearth appearing in the guise of a dead grey carrier. Really, the statistics of feline influenza are very disturbing. Even when he tries to be cheerful he fails in the results. For instance, he announced very virulent plague among the rats of Suffolk and pointed out that rats are supposed to be very migratory in their habits. "People began to shout 'hurrah!' quietly to themselves and to predict a clearance from these islands of those obnoxious rodents. But, no, the disease remains rooted to Suffolk and never passes beyond its borders; the rats elsewhere grow and multiply by millions daily, and the time is not yet when they can be numbered among the animals that were but are not."

OUR ARISTOCRACY.

Our aristocracy are figuring in various ways just now, quite apart from the constitutional question. There is the Earl of Chesterfield, a dealer and getting a suit of ancient armour buck because the price paid for it—£2,000—was far too little, the brother of the Earl of Leitrim being supposed to have been buried in the Isle of Wight after an adventurous life ending in suicide, and Lord George Cholmondeley, second son of the Marquis of Cholmondeley, is joint holder with Lord Carrington of the post of Lord Great Chamberlain. Her husband will be second heir to the title, for there is only his elder brother, the Earl of Rocksavage, between Lady Mour, though she was herself an actress originally, left the bridegroom £2,000 on condition that he "marries a lady in Society." But apparently he found the charms of the actress too great for the bait to weigh with him. I believe he was for a time attached to the staff in Hongkong, during Sir Henry Blake's term at Government House.

SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL LANGUAGES.

Through the initiative of Sir Edward Grey there is at last to be a move towards establishing the school of Oriental languages in London we have heard so much about. A conference is to be held between the board of management of the London Institution in Finsbury Circus and a committee that includes Lord Curzon, Lord Reay, the Lord Mayor and a number of men interested in Far Eastern trade, with the object of turning the Institution into the required school on a sound financial basis. The Government is to give £4,000 a year. I understand, towards the professional salaries, and the committee would arrange to take over the London Institution premises and the £30,000 worth of Consols that are invested in connection with it. After that we shall be able to get to close quarters with the languages of China, Japan or Arabia without wandering "somewhere east of Suez."

TRAGEDIES OF THE FAMINE.

A medical missionary from Northern Kiangsu, who has just arrived in Shanghai, has given to the N.C. Daily News some further details of the famine in his district at the present time. Last autumn was an unusually wet one; the worst plagues and penury over a large extent of country rotted in the ground, with the result that there is not sufficient seed for planting this year. The people are now trying to sustain themselves by eating the bark of trees while the thatched houses are being used for fuel. Children, both boys and girls, are being sold for from one dollar to three dollars each. Land is being offered for sale at less than one-twentieth of its value and even at that price it is difficult to find purchasers.

The officials are only now beginning to realise the seriousness of the situation and are taking some steps to relieve the people, by borrowing money from banks and rich men to purchase rice, a bean cake, but the selling price of this food is only a little lower than that quoted by the bongs, the alleged reason being that if prices were lower, the officials would find it difficult to repay the money borrowed. The people of Northern Kiangsu are not accustomed to eat rice and flour, but rather maize, wheat, barley and sorghum. As these articles of food can be bought at a half the price of four and rice, it would be well for those who are superintending the relief work to keep this fact in mind so that the money subscribed may go as far as possible. There has lately been a spell of very bad weather, lasting for nearly two weeks, which has greatly increased the suffering of the people and caused a much higher death-rate.

At the present time the famine is reaching its height and the people are reduced to eating sorghum leaves with a handful of grain thrown in. The leaves fetch from thirty to forty cash per catty. Woods and the bark of trees are also being eaten. Even this poor food, however, will soon be exhausted and the people left utterly without resources of any kind. All the country in Northern Kiangsu lies low, and after heavy rains the water cannot get away through lack of proper dredging. Some feeble efforts have been made from time to time to remedy this undesirable state of affairs, but nothing commensurate with the need has ever been attempted.

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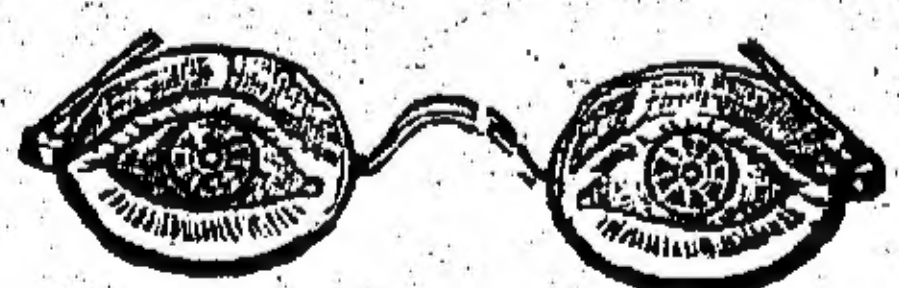
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Hongkong, 4th April, 1911. [562]

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K. MATSUDA,

Agent.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1911. [563]

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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 5th to 11th, 1911.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		Time	Height	Time	Height
Wed.	5	h. 2.46	ft. 4.2	h. 6.6	ft. 3.7
Thurs.	6	h. 1.16	ft. 6.6	h. 9.15	ft. 1.6
Fri.	7	h. 5.3	ft. 4.1	h. 6.30	ft. 4.1
Sat.	8	h. 2.15	ft. 6.4	h. 10.46	ft. 1.5
Sun.	9	h. 7.54	ft. 6.3	h. 11.16	ft. 4.4
Mon.	10	h. 5.26	ft. 6.3	h. 11.16	ft. 4.4
Tue.	11	h. 8.7	ft. 4.8	h. 0.60	ft. 1.2
		h. 6.37	ft. 6.4	h. 0.24	ft. 4.0
		h. 8.23	ft. 5.1	h. 1.28	ft. 1.2
		h. 7.34	ft. 6.4	h. 1.16	ft. 3.4
		h. 8.42	ft. 5.3	h. 2.3	ft. 1.3
		h. 8.24	ft. 6.3	h. 2.2	ft. 2.8

STRAITS SETTLEMENTS STOCKS AND SHARES.

RUBBER COMPANIES.

SINGAPORE, March 23.

Malayan Companies.	Dividends	Par value each share 21. Calls paid up are:—	Malayan Companies.	Dividends	Par value each share 21. Calls paid up are:—
Alor-Pongsu ...	15/ paid	fy. paid	Malacca Ordinary ...	8.50	.....
Anglo-Johore ...	2/ fy.	fy. "	Merlimau ...	8/8	.....
Anglo-Malay ...	17/6	fy. "	Merton Syndicate ...	.....	.....
Bakap ...	fy. "	fy. "	Mount Austin ...	.....	.....
Banteng ...	fy. "	fy. "	Norbornong Est. ...	.....	.....
Batu Caves ...	15/10.0	105% 10	North Hummock ...	.....	.....
Batu Kawan ...	fy. "	fy. "	Padang Jawa ...	3/7	18% 10
Batu Tiga ...	4.12.6	10% 10	Pandau Johore ...	.....	.....
Berembang Selangor ...	fy. "	fy. "	Pataling ...	2.19.0	800% 10
Bernam Perak ...	fy. "	fy. "	Pelepah (Johore) ...	8/	124% 10
Do. Ordinary ...	fy. "	fy. "	Peneiro Est. ...	.....	.....
Bidor ...	fy. "	fy. "	Prye ...	.....	10% 09
B'lands Selangor ...	fy. "	fy. "	Ratanuf ...	.....	.....
Bukit Cioh ...	fy. "	fy. "	Rembia ...	1.7.6	.....
Bukit Kajang ...	2.10.0	64% 10	Rim ...	.....	.....
Bukit Mertajam ...	3/6	fy. "	R. Est. of Krian ...	.....	.....
Bukit Rajah ...	14.10.0	50% 10	Saga ...	1.10.0	50% 10
Bukit Selangor ...	fy. "	fy. "	Seahfield ...	6.10.0	15% 10
Castelfield ...	6.5.0	74% 10	Selangor ...	2.18.6	325% 10
Changkat Sulak R. and Tin. ...	fy. "	fy. "	Selekar Rubber ...	.....	.....
Chersonese ...	4/-	fy. "	Sempah ...	.....	.....
Cheviot ...	fy. "	fy. "	Sendayan ...	1.12.6pm	.....
Chota Rubber ...	fy. "	fy. "	Seremban ...	4.12.6	15% 10
Cicely Ordinary ...	2.8.0	100% 10	Sorangon ...	.....	.....
Consol. Malay ...	2.8.0	102% 10	Shelford ...	3.17.6	10% 10
Damansara ...	1.4.0	50% 10	Signiting (N. S.) ...	.....	.....
Dennistown ...	7.7.3	50% 10	Singapore Para ...	8/-	124% 10
Enbb. Selangor ...	11/-	30% 10	Singapore (Bertram) ...	8/-	174% 09
Enb. Selangor ...	fy. "	fy. "	Sirathumy R. ...	.....	.....
Gua Koo R. Est. ...	fy. "	fy. "	Sungai Bahru ...	.....	.....
Garing (Malacca) ...	fy. "	fy. "	Sungai Choh ...	4.10.0	.....
Golconda ...	5.5.0	25% 10	Sungai Kapar ...	12/9	25% 10
Golden Hope ...	5.0.0	20% 10	Sungai Kruit ...	.....	.....
Gula-Kalumpung ...	fy. "	fy. "	Sungai Liang ...	4.12.0	.....
H. and Lowlands ...	5.3.0	30% 10	Sungai Salak ...	5.16.0	124% 10
Inch Kenneth ...	13.10.0	50% 10	Sungai Way ...	.....	.....
Johore Para ...	fy. "	fy. "	Tangkah ...	.....	.....
Johore R. Lands ...	fy. "	fy. "	Third Mile ...	.....	.....
Jong-Landor ...	fy. "	fy. "	Trenelbye ...	.....	10% 10
Jugra (Ordinary) ...	25% 10	fy. "	Utd. Sui Betong ...	.....	.....
Jura Estates ...	fy. "	fy. "	Val d'Or Est ...	.....	.....
K'pong Kuantan ...	5/2 pm	16% 10	Vallambrosa ...	1.16.3	75% 10
Kamuning "A" ...	6/6	20% 10			
Do. "B" ...	6/6	20% 10			
Kapar Para ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kellias ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kepong ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Killinghall ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kinta Kollas ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Klanang ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Klian-Kollas ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kota Tinggi ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kota Tampan ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Krubong ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kuala Klang ...	7.17.6	75% 10			
Kuala Lumpur ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kuala Pahi ...	fy. "	fy. "			
Kuala Selangor ...	14/3	30% 10			
Labu ...	4.12.0	18% 10			
Ladbury ...	8.12.0	10% 10			
Lendu ...	1.17.8pm	fy. "			
Linggi ...	fy. "	fy. "			
London Asiatic ...	9.7.9	150% 10			
Lumut Est. ...	14/3	10% 10			
Madangley Est. ...	10/9 pr	fy. "			
Malacca 74 Cum. Partici- pating Trst ...	8.5.0	10 09 2/ fy.			



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Hongkong Observatory, April 4th.

Barometer	Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.03	30.09	29.99
Temperature	68	70	69
Humidity	74	72	72
Wind Direction	SE	E	E
Force	2	2	2
Weather	o	o	o
Rain	o	o	o

Highest open air Temperature on 3rd, 69

Lowest open air Temperature on 3rd, 62

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS

BREID, Norwegian str., 1,102, Falkstad, 21st March—Buckok 12th March, Rice and General—Chinese.

CATHAY, Danish str., 2,649, H. Kruso, 21st March—Port Said 15th Feb., General—Melchers & Co.

CATHERINE APGAR, British str., 2,040, L. E. Townsend, 31st March—Singapore 24th March, General—David Sassoon & Co.

CHIVEN, Chinese str., 1,177, Stewart, 2nd April—Shanghai 29th March, General—C. M. B. R. Co.

CHOYANG, British str., 1,424, Courtney, 1st April—Shanghai 28th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHUNHANG, British str., 1,418, G. P. Mattook, 1st April—Sourabaya 22nd March, Sugar—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLARA JENSEN, Ger. str., 1,103, J. Bendixen, 1st April—Wakana 23rd March, General—Jensen & Co.

EMPEROR OF CHINA, British str., 3,046, B. Archibald, B.N.F., 17th March—Vancouver, B.C., 23rd February, Mails and General—Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

FOOSHING, British str., 1,423, W. D. Welsh, 23rd March—Weihaiwei 17th March, Vermicelli—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FATHFUL, Norwegian str., 893, O. Andersen, 2nd April—Pulo Laut 23rd March, Coal—Aagaard, Thorsen & Co.

FUKURA MARU, Japanese str., 1,146, S. Kuma-waki, 16th March—Moji 10th March, Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kwaisha.

GRUYEVAL, British str., 2,845, J. W. Steel, 12th March—Rangoon 27th Feb., Rice—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

HALDIS, Norwegian str., 1,065, G. Solberg, 1st April—Bangkok and Swatow 31st March, General—Chinese.

HANYANG, British str., 1,207, G. I. Spink, 28th March—Tientsin, Chefoo and Weihaiwei 23rd Mar., Salt, &c.—Butterfield & Swire.

HERCULES, Norwegian str., 2,439, R. Wilhelmson, 31st March—Portland, Oregon 24th Feb., General—Portland & Asiatic S.S. Co.

HIRANO MARU, Japanese str., 5,282, H. Fraser, 27th March—Shanghai 24th Mar., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

HOLSTEIN, German str., 1,103, D. Hank, 7th March—Haiphong and Hollow 5th March, General—Jensen & Co.

HUNG SHUN, Chinese str., 808, Markussen, 9th March—Manila 6th March, Ballast—Order.

INARA, British str., 3,923, A. B. Grallum, 26th March—Durban 25th Feb., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KENNEDY, British str., 3,301, Beynon, 26th March—Sourabaya 18th March, Oil—Standard Oil Co.

KIANG CHING, Chinese str., 1,002, F. A. Brissander, 27th March—Chinkiang 23rd Mar., General—Tung Lee.

KOWLOON, German str., 1,459, M. Vesper, 2nd April—Chinkiang 27th March, General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

LABRETS, British str., 1,340, Frampton, 3rd April—Saigon 29th March, General and Rice—Wo Fat Sing.

LIHAY, British str., 1,350, C. C. Williams, 2nd April—Shanghai 30th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

LOCKHART, German str., 1,020, W. Traubert, 1st April—Bangkok and Swatow 31st March, Rice—Melchers & Co.

3rd April—Saigon 30th March, Rice—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

MAHEW, German str., 1,234, Wolf, 29th March—Bangkok 19th March, Rice and Meal—Butterfield & Swire.

MANOHUBA, American str., 8,750, A. Dixon, 1st April—San Francisco 28th February, General—P. M. S. S. Co.

MANDARIN MARU, Japanese str., 3,245, T. Ota, 28th March—Mitsui 22nd March, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

MONTEAGLE, British str., 6,163, W. Davidson, 2nd April—Vancouver 6th March, Lumber and Salt Fish—Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

ONPA, British str., 5,810, W. Cops Lyceot, 24th March—Victoria via Japan 22nd Feb., General—Butterfield & Swire.

ONSHANG, British str., 1,737, A. G. Smith, 30th March—Chingwang 25th March, Coal—Ching Engineering & Mining Co.

PAKLAU, German str., 1,018, S. Wenzel, 6th March—Bangkok 26th Feb., Rice and Teakwood—Butterfield & Swire.

PITSANTLOK, German str., 1,267, Reimers, 30th March—Saigon 26th March, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.

PONG TONG, German str., 997, W. Botafuhr, 8th March—Bangkok 5th March, Rice—Order.

PREUSSEN, German str., 5,114, L. Bahl, 3rd April—Shanghai 31st March, General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

SARINIE, RICKMERS, Dutch str., 573, D. E. Boeve, 1st April—Swatow 31st March—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

SAISERN, German str., 998, R. Petersen, 30th March—Saigon 25th March, Rice and Meal—Norddeutscher Lloyd.

SEANORRE, British str., 3,767, J. Travis, 2nd April—Saigon, Hongkong and Singapore 25th March, General—Order.

SHINTO MARU, Japanese 2,873, Matsumoto, 1st April—Moji 26th March, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

SOSHU MARU, Japanese str., 1,805, K. Sukawa, 27th March—Aomori 23rd March, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

SPIN, Norwegian str., 976, W. Hara, 11th March—Manila 7th March, Ballast—A. Bunc.

STANDAR, Norwegian str., 294, A. B. Bull, 31st March—Saigon 25th March, Rice and Paddy—Order.

SUNGKIANG, British str., 987, H. Mathias, 2nd April—Hoibow 1st April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

TAKON MARU, Japanese str., 2,253, Y. Fujita, 1st April—Mitsui 27th March, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TIENHSIN, British str., 1,215, Trowbridge, 1st April—Tientsin 23rd March, Groundnut—Butterfield & Swire.

THURLEY, Dutch str., 2,888, H. Koops, 14th March—Macassar and Billiton 6th March, Sugar and General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TIJMAH, Dutch str., 1,234, J. P. Scholte, 1st April—Moji 24th March, General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TEIUMPE, German str., 863, Jensen, 2nd April—Bangkok 24th Mar., Rice—Jensen & Co.

TUNGSHING, British str., 1,172, L. Huxsey, 4th March—Wakamatsu 27th February, Coal—Jardine, Matheson Co.

VICTORIA, Swedish str., 999, Th. Ekert, 30th March—Palo Laut 21st March, Coal—Olof Wiik & Co.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PE- NANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	PALAWAN Capt. C. R. Longdon, R.N.R.	11 A.M., 5th April	Freight and Passage.
SEANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	SICILIA Capt. C. W. Watkins, R.N.R.	About 8th April	Freight and Passage.
SEANGHAI	ASSAYE Capt. Owen Jones, R.N.R.	About 13th April	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via Usual Ports or Call	DELHI Capt. H. S. Bradshaw	Neon, 15th April	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PE- NANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	BORNEO Capt. W. H. S. Hall	About 19th April	Freight and Passage.

For Further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1911.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	"SUNGKIANG"	On 5th April, Noon.
SEANGHAI	"LIAN"	On 6th April, 4 P.M.
SEANGHAI	"CHINHUA"	On 8th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TEAN"	On 11th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, THURS- DAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRIS- BANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	"TAIYUAN"	On 12th April, 4 P.M.
SEANGHAI	"ANHUI"	On 13th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"KAI FONG"	On 18th April, 4 P.M.

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER, Twice Weekly.

S.S. "LINTAN" and S.S. "SANUL"

AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS have superior accommodation with Electric Light, throughout, and Electric Fans in the State-rooms. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried. REDUCED FARES, Cargo booked through for all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.

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SEANGHAI LINE—FAST SCHEDULE TWIN SCREW STEAMERS ("ANHUI," "CHENAN," "CHINHUA" and "LIAN") with excellent accommodation, Electric Light throughout and Electric Fans in the State-rooms and Dining Saloon, leaving Hongkong for Shanghai direct every Thursday and Sunday, taking cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

NB—Passengers must embark before Mid-night on SATURDAY, for the SUNDAY Morning sailings. A Co.'s launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every SATURDAY Night.

These Steamers Land Passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of the transshipment at Woosung.

FARE, \$45 SINGLE and \$80 RETURN.

For Freight or Passage apply to—

HONGKONG, 5th April, 1911.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

AGENTS.

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INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION)

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SEANGHAI via SWATOW	"CHOYANG"	Thursday, 5th April, Noon
MANILA	"LOONGSANG"	Saturday, 8th April, 2 P.M.
SEANGHAI, KOBE and MOJI	"NAMSANG"	Tuesday, 11th April, Noon
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"FOOKSANG"	Saturday, 15th April, Noon

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN,

(OCCUPYING 24 DAYS)

The Steamers "KUTSANG," "NAMSANG" and "FOOKSANG" leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong.

These vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. A duly qualified surgeon is also carried.

Steamers have superior accommodation for First Class Passengers and are fitted throughout with Electric Light.

Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to Yangtze Ports, Tsingtau, Weihaiwei, Chefoo, Tientsin & Newchwang.

Telephone No. 215, Sub. Exch. 4.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

HONGKONG, 4th April, 1911.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LTD.,

GENERAL MANAGERS.

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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE

IN CONJUNCTION WITH DEUTSCHE DAMPSCHIFFFAHRTS GESELLSCHAFT "HANSA."

Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES,
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to MARSEILLES, HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG and to NEW YORK.

TAKING Cargo at Through Rates to all European North Continental and British Ports, also Trieste, Lisbon, Oporto, Marseilles, Genoa, and other Mediterranean Levantine, Black Baltic Sea and Ports, and all North and South America Ports.

NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:

OUTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
FOR SEANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA:		
S.S. SUBVIA	...	7th April
S.S. BAYERN	...	20th April
S.S. FREINFELS	...	6th May
S.S. SCANDIA	...	16th May
S.S. SLAVONIA	...	4th June
S.S. SAXONIA	...	15th June

For Further Particulars, apply to—

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HONGKONG-SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS

HIGHEST Class, Fastest and Most Luxurious Steamers on the Coast, having Splendid Accommodation for First Class Passengers. Electric Light. Excellent Cuisine.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHEW

(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIPS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
"HAICHING"	Capt. W. C. Passmore	FRIDAY, 7th April, at 11 A.M.
"HAIYANG"	Capt. A. E. Hodgins	TUESDAY, 11th April, at 11 A.M.
"HAITAN"	Capt. J. S. Rosch	FRIDAY, 14th April, at 11 A.M.

For SWATOW AND RETURN.

(Occupying 3 Days)

STEAMSHIPS	CAPTAIN	LEAVING.
"HAIMUN"	Capt. J. W. Evans	WEDNESDAY, 5th April, at 11 A.M.
		SUNDAY, 9th April, at 10 A.M.

Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

For Freight and Passage, apply to—

DOUGLAS, LAPEAUX & Co.,

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1911.

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U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

SEMI-TROPICAL ROUTE.

Only Line taking the warm SOUTHERN ROUTE across the PACIFIC VIA HONOLULU, OAHU, the most Fertile and Beautiful Island of the PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS	Tons	SAILING DATES.
* MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 8th April, at 5 P.M.
* MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 29th April, at 1 P.M.
* KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY, 27th May, at 1 P.M.
* SIBERIA	18,000	FRIDAY, 9th June, at 1 P.M.
* MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 24th June, at 1 P.M.
* MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 15th July, at 1 P.M.
* KOREA	18,000	FRIDAY, 11th Aug., at 1 P.M.
* SIBERIA	18,000	FRIDAY, 26th Aug., at 1 P.M.

* Twin Screws.

All Steamers are Equipped with Wireless Telegraphy.

THE P.M. S.S. "MANCHURIA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, 8th April, at 5 P.M.

FARES: HONGKONG TO LONDON £71 10s. 0d. RETURN, SIX MONTHS, £120; 24 MONTHS, £125; INCLUDING BERTH AND MEALS ACROSS AMERICA.

SPECIAL RATES (First Class Only) Granted upon Application.

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INTERMEDIATE SERVICE.

ASIA	9,500 Tons	FRIDAY, 21st April, at 1 P.M.
PERIA	9,000 Tons	FRIDAY, 19th May, at 1 P.M.
CHINA	10,200 Tons	FRIDAY, 16th June, at 1 P.M.

THE S.S. "ASIA" will leave for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 21st April, at 1 P.M.

On the Fine MAIL Steamers, ASIA, CHINA and PERIA First Class.

SALOON SERVICE is furnished at Intermediate Rates.

FARES, HONGKONG TO LONDON via New York £43.

HONGKONG TO SAN FRANCISCO via New York £25.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, North, Central and South America Ports.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, KING'S BUILDING (opposite Blake Pier).

FRED J. HALTON, AGENT.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG— SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	Tons.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORTSAID	TANGO MARU Capt. K. Kawara	8,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th April, at Daylight
	KAMO MARU Capt. F. L. Sommer	9,000	WEDNESDAY, 26th April, at Daylight
	AKI MARU Capt. K. Homma	7,000	WEDNESDAY, 10th May, at Daylight
	SADO MARU Capt. J. Richards	7,000	SATURDAY, 25th April, from KOBE
VICTORIA B.C. & SEATTLE	TAMBA MARU Capt. K. Noda	7,000	TUESDAY, 23rd April, at Noon
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, and YOKOHAMA	SAWA MARU Capt. Iizawa	7,000	TUESDAY, 23rd May, at 4 P.M.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU Capt. M. Yagi	6,000	FRIDAY, 14th April, at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler	6,000	FRIDAY, 12th May, at Noon
	KUMANO MARU Capt. M. Winkler	6,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th April, at Noon
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	MISHIMA MARU Capt. A. E. Moss	9,000	THURSDAY, 13th April, at 10 A.M.
SEANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	COLOMBO MARU Capt. E. Combes	5,000	WEDNESDAY, 12th April, at 10 A.M.

Fitted with New System of Wireless Telegraphy. * Carries Deck Passengers. † Cargo only.

† Calling at Keelung and Shimon.

PASSENGER SEASON, 1911.

SAILINGS AND PASSAGE RATES FROM HONGKONG.

TO MARSEILLES AND LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

Steamers.	Tons.	Leave H.K.	To London, per New Steamer.	RATES OF PASSAGE.
TANGO MARU	8000	12th April		1st Class S Y. 550.00
KAMO	9000	26th "		" " " 825.00
AKI	7000	10th May		" " " 360.00
MISHIMA	9000	24th "		" " " 540.00
KAGA	7000	7th June		" " " 500.00
				" " " 750.00
				" " " 350.00
				" " " 495.00

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RATES OF PASSAGE.

To Pacific Coast Common Points:

1st Class S £30

2nd Class S £21

To London via New York: 1st Class S £50

via St. Lawrence: 1st Class S £59

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	Tons	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING.
* CHIYO MARU	21,000	W. W. Groene	FRIDAY, April 14th, 1 P.M.
* AMERICA MARU	11,000	A. G. Stevens	FRIDAY, May 5th, 1 P.M.
* TENYO MARU	21,000	E. Boat	FRIDAY, May 12th, 1 P.M.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000	H. S. Smith	FRIDAY, June 2nd, 1 P.M.

† Triple Screws, turbine engines. * Twin Screws.

All Steamers are equipped with the Japanese Government Wireless Telegraph and Post Offices.

THE Triple Screw Steamer "CHIYO MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, 14th April, at 1 P.M.

SOUTH AMERICAN LINE.

(In Connection with NATIONAL RAILWAY of MEXICO at MANZANILLO.)

Only Regular Direct Service to MEXICAN, PERUVIAN and CHILIAN PORTS

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	Tons	CAPTAIN	DATE OF SAILING.
BUYO MARU	10,500	K. Hashimoto	WEDNESDAY, April 19th, 1 P.M.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	H. Hinokuma	SATURDAY, June 17th, 1 P.M.
KIYO MARU	17,500	H. Nishi	TUESDAY, Aug. 15th, 1 P.M.

THE Steamer "BUYO MARU" will be despatched for MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU, MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO and CORONEL on WEDNESDAY, 19th April, at 1 P.M.

FARES FROM HONGKONG.

to SAN FRANCISCO	£ 45-0-0, Single
" NEW YORK	£ 60-0-0, "
" LONDON	£ 71-10-0, "
" SALINA CRUZ or MANZANILLO	£ 120-0-0, Return 6 Months
" VALPARAISO	£ 125-0-0, " 24
	Yen. 520.00, " Single
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These magnificent steamers are most up-to-date and luxurious in every way. Excellent cuisine and accommodation.

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REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

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TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Connecting at TACOMA with

THE CHICAGO, MILWAUKEE and PUGET SOUND RAILWAY

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in the U.S.A. and Canada, also to the principal ports in Mexico,

Central and South America.

FOR	STEAMERS	Tons (Gross reg.)	LEAVES.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA via NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	"CHICAGO MARU"	6,182	WEDNESDAY, 19th April, at Daylight

The Co.'s Newly Built Steamers have fair speed. Superior accommodation for storage. Passengers situated AMIDSHIP. A limited number of Cabin Passengers carried at Low Rates. Best adapted rooms for carrying Silk, Treasure and Parcels. Special attention given towards Express connection.

HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS & FORMOSA SERVICE

FOR	STEAMERS	LEAVES.
ANPING via SWATOW and AMOY	"BOSHU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 5th April, at 10 A.M.
TAMSUI via SWATOW and AMOY	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 9th April, at 10 A.M.

For information of Freight, Passage, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings

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The *Toussaint*, with the French Mail left Singapore on Monday, the 3rd instant, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 10th inst.

FOR	PER	DATE
Swatow, Amoy and Anping	Soo Hai Maru	Wednesday, 5th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Cebu	Palawan	Wednesday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang and Sourabaya	Typhoon	Wednesday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow	Hakama	Wednesday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Haiphong	Singhien	Wednesday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.
Iloilo	Kennel	Wednesday, 5th, 10.00 A.M.

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ON	APRIL 4TH
LONDON	
Telegraphic Transfer	1/8
Bank Bills, on demand	1/8
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/8
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/8
Credit, at 4 months' sight	1/8
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	1/8
PARIS	
Bank Bills, on demand	22 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	23 1/2
GERMANY	
On demand	18 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	43 1/2
Credit, at 60 days' sight	44 1/2
HONGKONG	
Telegraphic Transfer	13 1/2
Bank, on demand	13 1/2
Calcutta	
Telegraphic Transfer	13 1/2
Bank, on demand	13 1/2
SHANGHAI	
Bank, at sight	7 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	7 1/2
YOKOHAMA	
On demand	8 1/2
MANILA	
On demand	8 1/2
SINGAPORE	
On demand	10 1/2
HAIPHONG	
On demand	11 1/2
SAIGON	
On demand	11 1/2
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$11.10
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Hongkong ... 20	\$6.50
Hongkong ... 10	\$6.99

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HONGKONG, APRIL 4TH, 1911.

STOCKS	NO. OF SHARES	VALUE	PAID UP	CLOSING QUOTATIONS
BANKS.—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$985, sellers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$90, buyers
China Bank of Commerce, Limited	60,000	\$12	all	\$10, x div. sel.
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	all	\$1.
China Provident, Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	all	\$7 1/2
COTTON MILLS.—				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 85.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	\$5, sellers.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	all	Tls. 48.
Loan-Kung-Mow C. Spinning Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 59.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 22 1/2
DAIRY FARM COMPANY, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$19.
DOCK AND WHARVES.—				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$52, sales
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$6 1/2	all	\$55, sal. & buy.
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$6 1/2	all	\$52, buyers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 65, sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,900	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 94, buyers
Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	all	25.
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	all	\$34, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$230.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$107 1/2, sellers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	15,000	\$50	\$20	\$67 1/2, buyers
Manila Metropolitan Hotel Limited	5,000	Pa. 10	all	\$11, buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$20	all	\$165, sales
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$17 1/2
Hongkong & China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$7, buyers
INSURANCES.—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$180, sellers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$124.
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$53.33	\$25	\$120.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$323 1/2, sales
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 152 1/2, buy.
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$845.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$24	\$207 1/2
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.—				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$94, buyers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$61.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$5, sellers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 99.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$47, sales
MINING.—				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Res. 250	all	\$700.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$2.
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$13.
Philippines Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	all	\$8.
REFINERIES.—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$104, sales
Lozan Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$20.
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	all	\$94, buyers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$19.
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$10	all	\$89 1/2, sales
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$25	all	\$67 1/2, L'don
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	all	91/3
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$23, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	all	\$11 1/2, buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	all	\$25.
STOBS AND DISPENSARIES.—				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$10.
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$2.90, buyers
Yatkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$3, sellers
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	all	\$7, sellers
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FORTHCOMING EVENTS.
Saturday, 8th April—Annual Dinner of Kowloon Cricket Club in the Station Hotel, Kowloon, 7.45 p.m.
Wednesday, 19th April—Extraordinary General Meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at the Hongkong Hotel, 11.30 A.M.
Wednesday, 19th April—Auction of Household Furniture at 3, Kimberley Villas, Kimberley Road, Kowloon, 2 P.M.
Wednesday, 26th April—Thirty-Eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., Noon.
Wednesday, 26th April—Forty-Fifth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., 12.30 P.M.

Saturday, 24th June—Extraordinary General Meeting of the National Bank of China, Ltd. 12.30 P.M.

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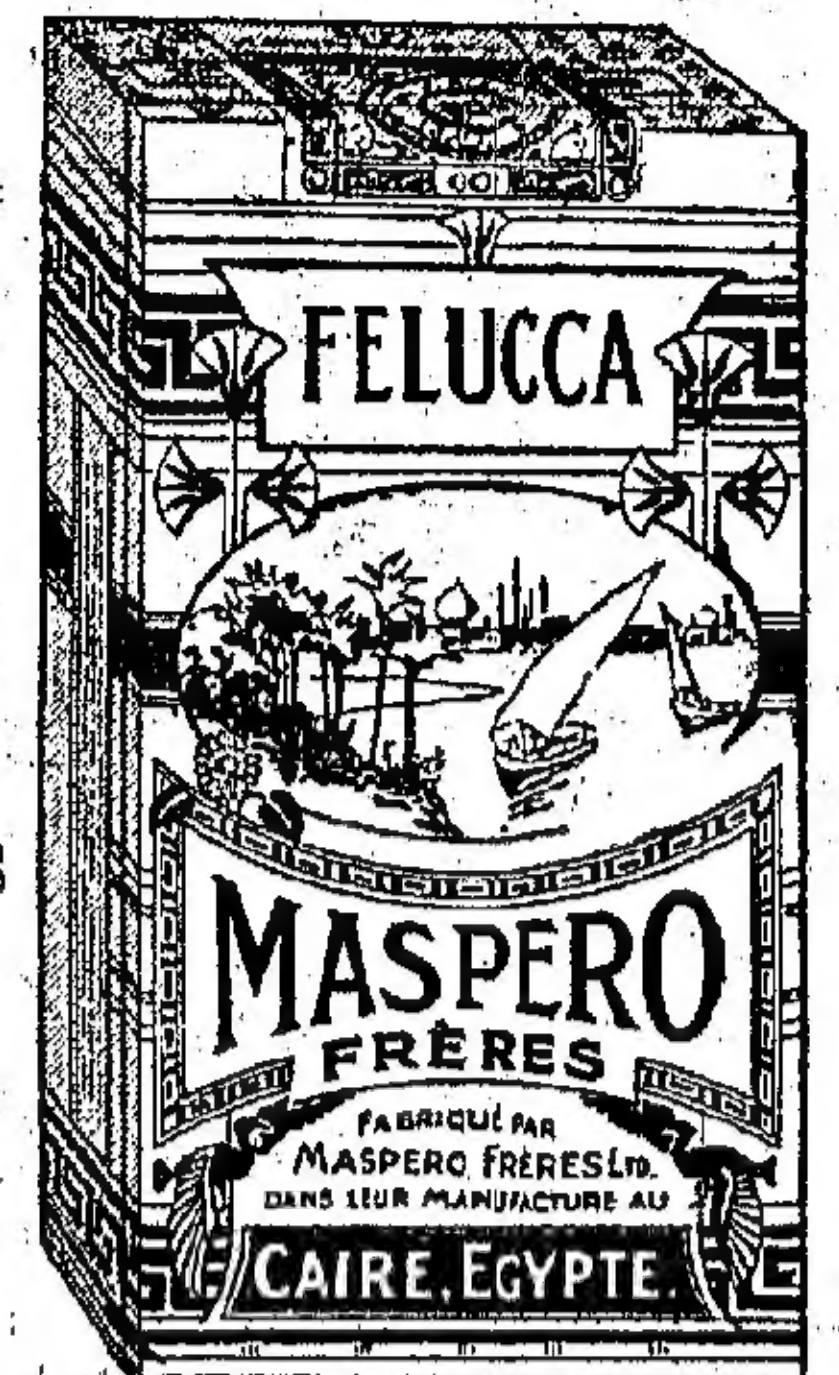
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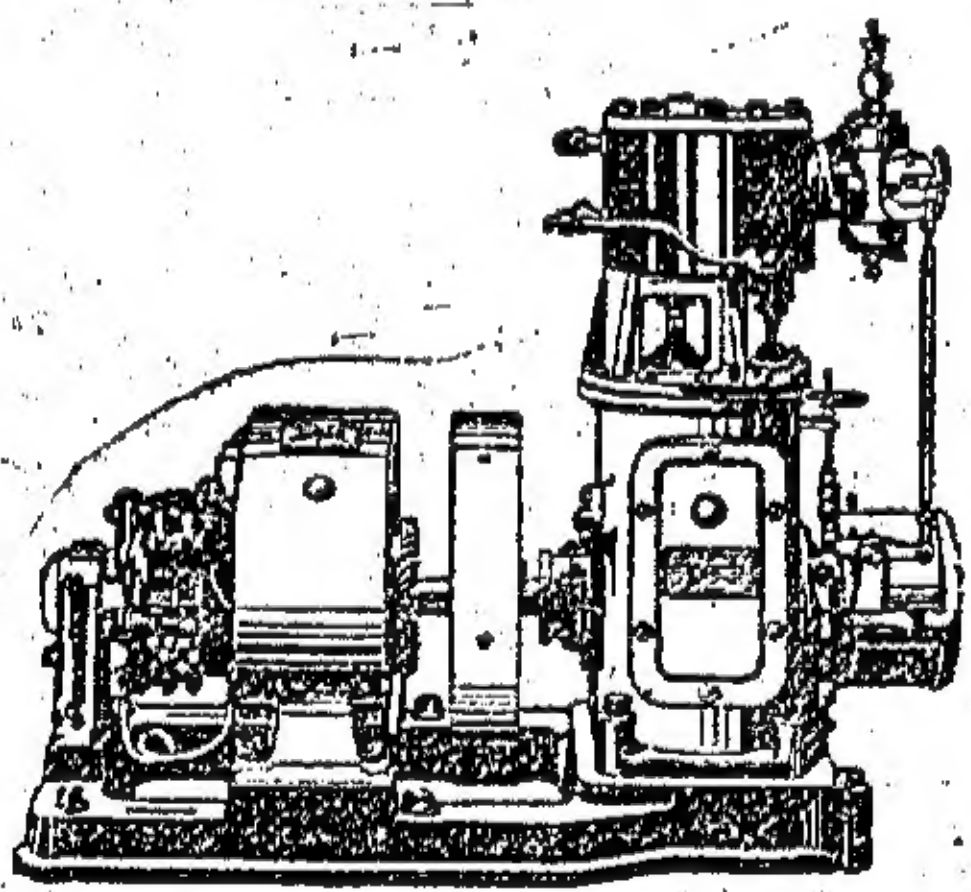
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